

REISSUE PATENT APPLICATION

In re the Application of

Shoichi SASAKI

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POWER OUTPUT APPARATUS AND METHOD OF CONTROLLING THE SAME

SUPPLEMENTAL REISSUE DECLARATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

- I, Shoichi SASAKI, hereby declare that:
- I am a citizen of Japan with the addresses as stated below next to my name. 1.
- 2. I have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification and claims of the above-captioned reissue application, and the claims as amended and added in the Preliminary Amendment filed concurrently as part of the application on June 21, 2001, and this reissue declaration.
- 3. I believe that I am the first, original and sole inventor of the invention described and claimed in the reissue application and in U.S. Letters Patent No. 5,914,575, which issued from U.S. Patent Application No. 08/855,116 filed May 13, 1997.
 - 4. I claim the priority benefits of the following application: Japanese Patent Application No. 8-265187, filed September 13, 1996.
- 5. I acknowledge my duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this reissue application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).
 - 6. I consider U.S. Patent No. 5,914,575 to be partly inoperative by reason of

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claiming less than I had a right to claim because the original claims are unduly limited and may not provide an adequate scope of protection. For example, the current claims of U.S. Patent No. 5,914,575 did not recite methods corresponding to the combinations of claims 1, 6, 7, and 8 and claims 1, 15, 16, and 17, that is, in the patented method claims I did not claim detecting the charging state of the storage battery means and control of the engine, first motor, and second motor was based on the detected charging state as specifically found in claim 7 and claim 16 respectively.

- 7. Every error in the patent which was corrected in the present reissue application, and is not covered by the prior Declaration submitted in this application, arose without any deceptive intent on my part.
- 8. I hereby revoke all prior powers of attorney and appoint the following as my attorneys of record with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent Office:

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9. I have reviewed and understand the contents of this supplemental reissue declaration, and all statements made herein of my knowledge are true, and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the U.S. Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent reissued thereon.

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